

## POST SHORTS

### Recycling schedule

The residential and recycling pickup schedule for March 21 is plastic, glass and metal. Put items in blue bags and place them on the curb.



### Being safe on St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day weekend is one of the nation's most alcohol-abused holidays according to the National Stop Impaired Driving Program. There is a 23 percent increased likelihood of being injured or killed by a driver who is impaired by alcohol during this time.

Cindy Scott, Army Substance Abuse Program prevention coordinator, wants the APG community to "Remember it is always okay not to drink."

The ASAP staff reminds everyone that "If you drink, don't drive and if you drive, don't drink."

### Easter Brunch April 8

The annual Easter breakfast and luncheon buffet will be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., April 8 at Top of the Bay. The price is \$19.95 for adults and \$9.95 for children ages 5 to 11. Children under 5 eat free.

The breakfast buffet menu includes omelet station, French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage and bacon, biscuits with sausage gravy, home fries, smoked salmon, bagels, muffins and Danish.

The luncheon buffet consists of a carving station with ham and roast sirloin of beef, fried chicken, roast pork with apple dressing, baked cod, assorted vegetables, potatoes and rice.

A dessert table and coffee, tea, juices, sodas and mimosas are included.

Reservations for parties of six or more can be made in advance. All other seating will be on a first-come first seated basis. Make reservations Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., by calling 410-278-3062/2552/5195 by April 4.

### MWR offers Wizards vs. Bobcats tickets

Tickets are available to see the Washington Wizards play the Charlotte Bobcats

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## APG 90th Anniversary Dawning of a new era in APG's 90-year history



A tribute to the 90th anniversary of Aberdeen Proving Ground and its Army research and testing history is displayed inside the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command headquarters building. See article on page 13.

Photo courtesy of RDECOM DATA IMAGING TEAM

## Army Emergency Relief fund campaign 2007 begins

AER

The Army Emergency Relief annual fund campaign kick-off meeting was held March 7. Unit representatives were provided materials and instructions on conducting the campaign within their organizations.

Col. John T. Wright, Aberdeen Proving Ground Garrison and deputy installation commander, has set the goal for this year at \$45,000.

Contributions may be made by allotment, cash or check. All contributions will be accepted thru May 31.

Unit representatives should turn in campaign contributions to Marge Fissel, AER officer, on Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon, in building 2754 Rodman Road, room 201. The first turn in is today.

In 2006, the AER office on APG disbursed \$224,922.34 in assistance to 197 individuals (144 active duty Army, 39 Army retirees, nine Army widows, one active duty Navy, one active duty Air Force, and three active duty Marines).

The top three reasons for AER



assistance are emergency or essential travel, initial rent and deposit and essential car repairs.

"Your contributions will assure continued availability of AER funds to meet the assistance needs of your fellow Soldiers," Fissel said.

For information on donating to AER, contact a unit representative or the AER Campaign Coordinator Maj. Octavious Gibbons, 410-278-3000.

## Violators of Military Hoaxes Act could receive fines, prison time

CID

Persons making false or misleading statements to families about the death, injury, capture or disappearance of a member of the armed forces of the United States during a time of war could be fined, imprisoned, or both.

It's a criminal offense to convey false or misleading information about the status of a service member during a time of armed conflict, according to the Stop Terrorist and Military Hoaxes Act of 2004, codified at Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 1038. In addition to fines, violators can face up to five years in jail for the hoax. When serious injury occurs as a result of a hoax, possible jail time increases to 20 years, and life imprisonment is possible for the perpetrator if death occurs as a result of a hoax.

"The section was added by an act of Congress as a direct result of the terrorist attacks of 11 September 2001," said

Capt. Anthony Adolph, judge advocate, Headquarters, 3rd Military Police Group (CID).

According to Lt. Col. Stephanie Stephens, U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command staff judge advocate, terrorist hoaxes became an issue shortly after 9-11. Existing law at that time generally covered fake bomb threats but did not apply to fake threats of biological or chemical attack, such as anthrax scares.

The proposed "Hoax Act of 2001" was intended to close the gap, but was not passed because it was drafted too broadly. The "Stop Terrorism and Military Hoaxes Act of 2004" includes much of the original basis of the 2001 statute, as well as the additional crime concerning hoaxes related to the status of a military member.

Adolph said some individuals belonging to anti-war and anti-government

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## Black History Month potluck luncheon provides smorgasbord of fellowship

Story by  
**LARRY D. MCCASKILL**  
RDECOM

Members from four Aberdeen Proving Ground organizations gathered at the Gunpowder Club to break bread and pay tribute to African American pioneers at this year's Black History Month potluck luncheon.

Employees from the U.S. Army Chemical Material Agency, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center and the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives program donated food and their time for the event.

"We're here not only to recognize Black History Month, but also for us to get together and fellowship," said committee chairperson Deborah Dennis, RDECOM. "We are so decentralized, we have few opportunities to socialize and network. This has been possible by the dedicated efforts of the committee and support from the senior leaders."

"This is a sign of things to come," said Alvin Thornton, an ECBC employee and the event's master of ceremonies. "Employees are looking beyond their work communities and are looking for

opportunities to work together." He said he hopes this is the first of many future joint events held on the installation.

In addition to the moral side of equal opportunity, Michael A. Parker, program manager, ACWA, said there is a practical side to providing the same opportunity to all.

"The nation's defense is one element of national security," Parker said.

The moral character of the nation and the ability of the nation as a whole challenges people to recognize, strive for and obtain their full potential through opportunities, he said.

"During a time of national challenge as we are in right now with the war going on, the deficit, and the strain on the nation's defense, we simply must open the opportunity to every one to fully contribute and to help them grow to their full potential," Parker said.

He said that events like this recognize the contributions of African American leaders but should reinforce the need to continue to move forward building opportunities for everyone to

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From left to right: Leo Bitner, general manager for Fort Meade Consolidated Exchange; Ray Burrows, president of Burrows Management; Harry Middlebrooks, Subway franchisee; John T. Shiroky, business services manager of Fort Meade Consolidated Exchange; Col. John T. Wright, APG garrison and deputy installation commander; Joseph Craten, APG deputy to the garrison commander; and APG Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Elvis Irby participate in a ribbon cutting during the Subway Restaurant's grand opening at the APG North Shoppette March 9.

## Subway holds grand opening

Story and photo by  
**HEATHER TASSMER**  
APG News

Aberdeen Proving Ground celebrated the APG North Shoppette's Subway Restaurant grand opening March 9 with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Bringing an eatery to the Shoppette was a "nine-year vision," said Col. John T. Wright, APG Garrison and deputy installation commander. "Everyone will enjoy Subway because they don't have to drive off the installation."

The initial plan was to have a Church's Chicken in the Shoppette but due to challenges of determining how to meet environmental standards and building changes, the project was prolonged, said John Shiroky, services business manager of the Fort Meade Consolidated Exchange.

"We also didn't know if it would be profitable," Shiroky said. "But we thought Subway would be, and it was easy to bring in because it didn't require an exhaust hood or extensive changes. Colonel Wright was very supportive of us and told us to press on."

The construction for the Subway

began after Thanksgiving and ended in January. Then the restaurant was inspected and approved by the Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic and the APG Fire Department.

Subway initially opened its doors Feb. 16 and business has been flourishing ever since, said Subway franchisee Harry Middlebrooks.

"Business has been great," he said. "We've been having a lot of nice customers."

He said the eatery's busiest time is 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Customers especially flocked to the store grand opening day when the special was "buy one footlong, get one free."

Middlebrooks said that the employees made 123 sandwiches from noon to 1 p.m.

A customer discussed the benefits of having a Subway on the installation.

"It takes time to go off the installation for lunch so this is convenient for Soldiers and civilians," said Pete Leon Guerrero, security specialist with the Intelligence Division. "Subway offers healthy food, and people are into more nutritional food now."



Photo courtesy of RDECOM

Master of ceremonies at this year's Black History Month Pot Luck Luncheon Alvin Thornton, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center, left, discusses the annual event with guest speaker Rudolf Redd, the first African-American to reach the grade of GM-15 at Aberdeen Proving Ground.



# Applying for scholarships pays off

Story by  
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APG News

Preparing for college is not an easy task. Not only do students have to think about what to study and which school to attend, they also have to figure out how they are going to afford tuition.

“College is a business,” said Eileen Campbell, Aberdeen Proving Ground Child and Youth Services school liaison. “Paying for college is frustrating, and if you don’t do your research, you can end up paying more than you need to.”

Linda Jones, a mother who helped her daughter Kristin find numerous scholarships, is one example of how researching can pay off in the long run.

Kristin, a Towson University student, has received about \$13,000 this year from a combination of grants and military, local and national scholarships. She qualified for military scholarships, such as the First Command Educational Scholarship, because her father is a member of the U.S. Air Force Reserve.

Jones said Kristin received \$5,200 her freshman year after applying for 60 scholarships.

“During the last year of high school Kristin was taking a lot of advanced placement classes so I decided to help her out with scholarships because she didn’t have the time to look for them,” Jones said.

Other factors that pushed her to look for scholarships were that the family survived only on her husband Steven’s income because she was a stay-at-home mother. When Steven was injured on the job as a Maryland State Trooper during Kristin’s freshman year of college and couldn’t work overtime hours or fly on military missions, scholarships were their only option, Jones said.

She researched scholarships by attending high school financial aid nights and talking to guidance counselors, she said, adding that she learned about financial aid, scholarships and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA establishes whether or not someone is eligible for grant money.

“Make a point to go to these meetings,” Jones said. “I learned something new each time I went.”

Jones advised to find out when the FAFSA deadline is for the individual college because it can vary from the government deadline.

She used [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) to have lists of scholarships sent to her via e-mail.



After finding scholarships the applicants are eligible for, make sure to follow all the directions carefully, she said.

“If you leave something blank or make an error, your application could be thrown away,” she said.

She advised applicants to make a copy of everything they apply for and type all applications so that they can be easily read.

Listing the student’s activities and awards is also important. Jones said students should start compiling this list in high school.

Kristin was a part of Service Makes an Individual’s Life Extra Special, a Havre de Grace service group, and Future Teachers of America at Havre de Grace High School.

“Kristin spent more than seven hundred hours helping people out while she was in SMILES,” Jones said. “Now she sees that her participation is helping her get scholarships.”

Jones also gave advice on essay writing and said that it gets easier the more one applies.

“The scholarship boards sometimes ask for the same kind of essays about one’s aims and goals and who influenced your life,” Jones said. “It is important to put a personal story in an essay that will reach out and touch someone.”

For example, Kristin wrote about her aunt, Sue Flaherty, for an essay about a person who influenced her life.

Flaherty, who also attended Towson University to become a teacher, had an influence on Kristin because she worked full time and went to school part time, Jones said.

After Flaherty graduated, she used her education to tutor children. Then she found out she had cancer, but still tutored

children until she became very sick.

“It showed that Sue still really wanted to help children,” Jones said. “The essay was so good that it made me cry.”

Not everyone is motivated to apply for scholarships. Some may think it is too time consuming or too much work to gather all the information needed for the application.

“The way I look at it is if you put two days of work into filling the application out and you receive a \$1,000 scholarship, that is \$1,000 for two days of work. What job pays that?” Jones said. “That is also \$1,000 less than you have to pay for tuition.”

She said she tries to motivate her daughter to continue applying.

“She sees me coming with a scholarship application and her reaction is ‘Oh no. Mom’s coming with another one,’” Jones said. “I tell her it’s not so hard.”

Jones lets Kristin know how to change her essays to fit the word count. Kristin keeps a list of her past and present school activities and rearranges the information depending on the application’s format.

“I think Kristin appreciates the help when she gets the checks in the mail for the scholarship,” Jones said. “It shows if you put the time and effort into scholarships, it really does pay off.”

Kristin echoed her mother’s comment. “It may seem like a pain to do all the applications, but the time is definitely worth the money and will delete the loan paybacks later in life,” she said.

Jones said that students can still look for private scholarships because not all of them require the FAFSA application.

## Searching for college funds online

Story by  
**EILEEN CAMPBELL**  
CYS School Liaison

In preparation for the college search, students should begin by getting to know their guidance counselors, the accountant that helped with their tax preparation and later, personnel in the financial aid office of the colleges they choose.

### Helpful Web sites

Both <http://www.finaid.org> and <http://www.fastweb.com> will link to high-quality scholarship databases that are free on the Web. The former site has two calculators: a loan calculator and a financial aid estimation calculator. The latter site assists in creating a personal profile to match scholarships to students’ interests/skills.

<http://www.collegeboard.org> will allow the college-bound student to register and prepare for the SAT Reasoning Test. Students can take practice tests and print a copy of essays written on previous tests taken.

<http://www.guarenteed-scholarships.com> is a search engine for unique, specific types of scholarships.

<http://www.collegeparents.org> allows parents to enjoy the daily e-newsletters during their “Decade of Decision” or use of the Blog for College Parents called “Hoverings.”

<http://www.students.gov> allows students to find information on federal directories, the U.S. government and its agencies, national parks and museums, military service and its branches, as well as career exploration.

[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov) provides information from the U.S. Department of Education on preparing and funding for college.

<http://www.collegesavingsmd.org> provides information about the tax deductible 529 savings plan. (Start a plan with as little as \$25 per month and the distributions to the universities are tax-free.)

<http://www.scholarships.com> is similar to Fastweb.com. Students register to have information sent to their individual e-mail addresses. Students can write a personalized scholarship application request letter at this site.

<http://www.salliemae.com> is the leading provider of student loans. This sight will be helpful in planning for, while going to college and years after the student is out of college.

<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>, a free Application for Federal Student Aid, will be essential for applying for almost every scholarship available. Gather these documents: federal income tax returns (last year is okay, just update if the numbers are significantly different,) W-2 forms, records of untaxed benefits received, current bank statements, records of savings and investments. If the students and parents want to electronically sign the application, each of them should apply for a PIN at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov).

<http://www.act.org> is much like the SAT site: Collegeboard.org, but for the ACT reasoning test. Apply, practice and check test results here. Students may voice their viewpoints on the blog.

Stop by the School Liaison Office, room #111 at the CYS building 2752, to pick up an ACTive Prep CD-ROM, while quantities last.

## Available scholarships

### Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund

**Amount:** Ranges from \$500 to \$2,500; five winners will receive an additional \$5,000 for the National Treasury Employees Union scholarship.

#### Eligibility:

- Current civilian federal and postal employees with at least three years of federal service and their dependent family members (children and spouses)
- Dependent applicants are first eligible to apply during their senior year in high school
- Employee applicants may be part-time students; dependents must be full-time
- Must be enrolled or plan to enroll in an accredited post secondary school in a course of study that will lead to a two-year, four-year or graduate degree
- Must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale

**How to apply:** Visit <http://www.feea.org/scholarships.html>.

**Deadline:** March 30

### Military and Civilian Spouses Club Scholarships

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Categories:** high school seniors, undergraduate, graduate and non full-time certification, continuing education and technical program students

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be either an MCSC member or dependent of a member.

**How to apply:** Visit [www.apgmcs.org](http://www.apgmcs.org).

**Deadline:** April 10

For more information, go to [www.apgmcs.org](http://www.apgmcs.org) or call 410-306-6668.

### Reilly Scholarship

**Sponsor:** The Reserve Officers Association

**Amount:** \$500

**Eligibility:** graduate students who are ROA members

ROA membership is open to any officer (active, reserve, National Guard, retired, or former) or the seven uniformed services: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Public Health Service or National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration.

**How to join ROA:** 1-800-9448 or go to [www.roa.org](http://www.roa.org)

**How to apply:** Visit [http://www.roa.org/site/DocServer/reilly\\_grad\\_07.pdf?docID=1044](http://www.roa.org/site/DocServer/reilly_grad_07.pdf?docID=1044).

**Deadline:** April 10

### Army Aviation Association of America Scholarship

**Amount:** Ranges from \$1,000 to \$4,000

**Eligibility:** AAAA members; spouses, unmarried siblings, unmarried children and unmarried grandchildren of current or deceased members

**How to apply:** Visit [www.quad-a.org/scholarship.htm](http://www.quad-a.org/scholarship.htm).

**Deadline:** May 1

### Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grant Program

The grant covers the following programs: Child Care Provider Scholarship; Developmental Disabilities, Mental Health, Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Workforce Program; Distinguished Scholar Teacher Education; Sharon Christa McAuliffe Memorial Teacher Education Scholarship; State Nursing Scholarship and Living Expenses Grant; Physical and Occupational Therapists and Assistant Grant; and William Donald Schafer Scholarship.

**Amount:** The breakdowns of the awards are as follows:

Maryland community colleges: \$2,000 per year for full-time students; \$1,000

for part-time students

Maryland four-year institution: \$4,000 per year for full-time students; \$2,000 per year for full-time students

**Eligibility:** In addition to the students listed above, the students (who are dependents) and their parents must be Maryland residents.

**How to apply:** Visit [http://www.mhec.state.md.us/financialAid/ProgramDescriptions/prog\\_WSSAG.asp](http://www.mhec.state.md.us/financialAid/ProgramDescriptions/prog_WSSAG.asp).

**Deadline:** For consideration based on need and to apply for the William Donald Schafer Scholarship, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid must be filed by March 1. For the other programs, complete and file the Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grant Program by June 1.

### U.S. Army Health Professions Scholarship Program

**Award:** Full tuition for medical school, monthly stipend of \$1,300 or more

#### Eligibility:

- Be a U.S. citizen with a baccalaureate degree from an accredited school
  - Depending upon student’s specialty, be enrolled in or have a letter of acceptance or intent from an accredited graduate program located in the United States or Puerto Rico
  - Maintain full-time student status during the entire length of the program
  - Qualify as a commissioned officer in the United States Army Reserve
- For more information, go to [www.healthcare.goarmy.com](http://www.healthcare.goarmy.com) or call 1-800-USA-ARMY.

*(Editor’s note: Since several deadlines have passed, APG News will run a longer list of scholarships in time for students to apply next year.)*



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# Knowing proper medical treatments for eye injuries

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Knowing what to do for an eye emergency can save valuable time and possibly prevent vision loss.

## Basic eye injury first aid Being prepared

- Wear eye protection for all hazardous activities and sports--at school, home and on the job.
- Stock a first aid kit with a rigid eye shield and commercial eyewash before an eye injury happens.
- Do not assume that any eye injury is harmless. When in doubt, see a doctor immediately.

## Chemical burns (in all cases of eye contact with chemicals)

- Immediately flush the eye with water or any other drinkable liquid. Hold the eye under a faucet or shower, or pour water into the eye using a clean container. Keep the eye open and as



- wide as possible while flushing. Continue flushing for at least 15 minutes.
- Do not use an eyecup.
  - If a contact lens is in the eye, begin flushing over the lens immediately. This may wash away the lens.
  - Do not bandage the eye.
  - Seek immediate medical treatment after flushing.

## Specks in the eye

- Do not rub the eye.
- Try to let tears wash the speck out or use eyewash.

- Try lifting the upper eyelid outward and down over the lower lid.
- If the speck does not wash out, keep the eye closed, bandage it lightly, and see a doctor.

## Blows to the eye

- Apply a cold compress without putting pressure on the eye.
- In cases of pain, reduced vision, or discoloration (black eye), seek emergency medical care. Any of these symptoms could mean internal eye damage.

## Cuts, punctures of the eye or eyelid

- Do not wash out the eye with water or any other liquid.
- Do not try to remove an object that is stuck in the eye.
- Cover the eye with a rigid shield without applying pressure. The bottom half of a paper cup can be used.
- See a doctor at once.

*(Editor's note: Author is an optometrist at Fort Meade.)*

## LEAVE DONATIONS

To participate in the Voluntary Leave Program, use forms OPM 630, Application to Become a Leave Recipient Under the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program; OPF 630-A, Request to Donate Annual Leave to Leave Recipient Under the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program (within agency); and OPM 630-B, Request to Donate Annual Leave to Leave Recipient Under the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program (outside agency). For more information, call Ronda McKinney, 410-278-8988, or e-mail [rondamckinney@usag.apg.army.mil](mailto:rondamckinney@usag.apg.army.mil).

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# Luncheon

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grow into their full potential to accomplish the mission and contribute to this great nation.

The event's keynote speaker, Rudolph J. Redd Sr., a former supervisory chemical engineer and the first African American on Edgewood Arsenal to be promoted to GM-15, said gatherings like this are important because it provides the opportunity to teach young people.

"A lot of people are unaware and have no idea of the type of work that is done here," Redd said. "By teaching the younger generation, the information can be spread throughout the community, thus letting other people know about the important things occurring here. There are all kinds of people out there who need to know what we do here."

Redd said there are advantages and disadvantages of

working for the government.

"Money should not be the main objective. Working for the government gives you the opportunity to work on things that will help people all around the world. It's good to see the different programs set up to recruit scientists and engineers from historically black colleges and universities. There's a lot of talent there," Redd said.

In addition to speeches, Jeffery Smart, RDECOM command historian, provided a historical presentation; Tiffaney Evans performed a musical selection and Phyllis Brown recited a poem.

The Black History Month Annual Potluck committee members include Pamela Lamb, co-chairperson, Phyllis Brown and Danielle Sanders,

ECBC; Vicki Henderson and Debora M. Albergottie Holiday, RDECOM; Annette Jones-Dennis, CMA; and Cynthia Watson, Joint Program Manager Bio-Defense.

# New Web site offers timely acquisition solutions

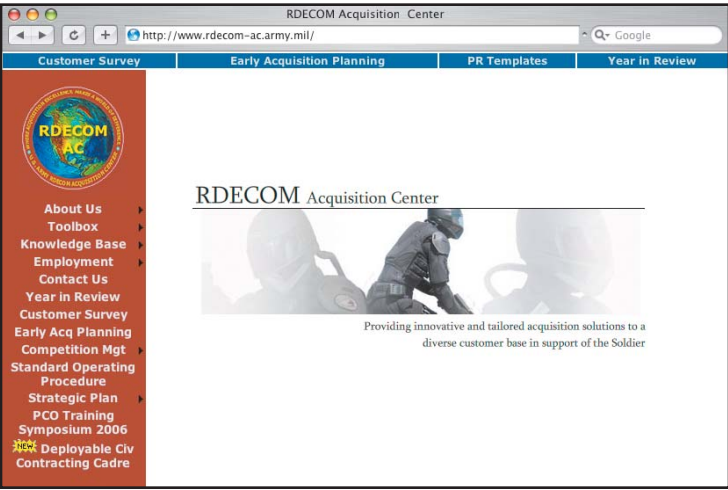
## RDECOM AC

The U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command Acquisition Center unveiled a new Web site, **www.rdecom-ac.army.mil**, created with interactive features to elevate customers' awareness of advancing acquisition issues, share knowledge and maintain communication among the Acquisition Center contracting divisions and their customers.

"The new Web site offers its diverse customer base a wide range of unique acquisition expertise and knowledge to support the Soldier through innovative and tailored acquisition solutions," said James K. Warrington, executive director of the RDECOM AC.

The Toolbox and Knowledge Base features consolidate the latest acquisition information into easy-to-follow guides, descriptions, examples and references intended to reduce procurement cycle time.

The new Web site offers RDECOM AC customers the



opportunity to:

- Access procurement request "Templates" for a variety of acquisitions for use at the AC.
- Use a simple Early Acquisition Planning notification tool to advise contracting officers of upcoming procurement requirements.
- Read about the center's innovations and achievements and other significant acquisition news in their annual RDECOM AC Year

in Review.

- Understand how to properly document a sole source justification or an Acquisition Plan.
- Read how the center will manage its Strategic Plan for the next five years.

It consolidates and updates employment information for students and prospective employees, and utilizes a customer feedback feature to monitor customer needs; and Defense employees can learn about AMC's new Deployable Civilian Contracting Cadre program.

"Our Web site is an important and effective communication

portal that will assist our customers in designing the best competition program, source selection strategy, and the latest techniques to achieve timely acquisition objectives," Warrington said.

The RDECOM AC, headquartered at Aberdeen Proving Ground, provides innovative acquisition and contracting support to RDECOM elements and a broad, diverse customer base to equip the Soldier with the latest technology, goods and services on time and at a reasonable cost.

With geographically dispersed contracting offices located at APG; Adelphi, MD; Denver, Colo.; Natick, Mass.; Pine Bluff, Ark.; Research Triangle Park, N.C.; and Office of the Principal Assistant Responsible for Contracting, also at APG, RDECOM AC provides sustained expertise in all areas of contracting including research, development and engineering; production; systems and system support; foreign military sales; grants and other transactions.

For more information, visit the RDECOM AC Web site, **www.rdecom-ac.army.mil**.



## Understanding NSPS terms

<http://www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps>

To help employees understand the NSPS conversion and its impact, *APG News* will provide explanations to NSPS terminology in the next few issues. For more information, visit the Web site at **http://www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps**.

### Conversion

Employees automatically convert to NSPS based on their permanent position of record under the General Schedule or other system. When employees convert, they experience no loss in pay. For many employees, their salaries may increase if they are eligible for a one-time, prorated within-grade-increase buy-in based on

time earned toward their next step increase.

### Classification architecture

The NSPS classification architecture is designed so that management officials can readily make classification decisions and employees and supervisors can understand the rationale.

Under the NSPS classification system, every GS position within the Department of Defense will be assigned to a Career Group, Pay Schedule and Pay Band. This flexible classification system was designed, in part, to allow greater movement both within and outside Career Groups and to develop and enhance employee skills and talents.

# Community Notes

FRIDAY

**MARCH 16  
SKIPJACK MARTHA  
LEWIS BENEFIT  
DINNER**

The Elks Lodge 1564, Havre de Grace, will host a St. Pat-ty's Dinner, 5:30 to 8 p.m., to benefit the Skipjack Mar-tha Lewis repairs. Cost of the dinner is \$8 and includes ham or corned beef and cab-bage, potatoes, carrots, rolls, dessert, coffee, Irish coffee, Irish music and door prizes. For more information, call the Elks Lodge, 410-939-9800 or e-mail bpoe1564@com-cast.net.

**MILITARY JOB FAIR**

Corporate Gray will sponsor a Job Fair, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale, Va. More than 100 representatives will be available from companies including Lockheed Martin,

Booz Allen, Southwest Air-lines, Cox, DIA, Home Depot, General Dynamics, Inova, and more. Meet face-to-face with employers with both local and national job opportunities appropriate for candidates with military experience. The event is free to job seek-ers; no pre-registration is required.

For more information, call 703-690-6826 or visit **www.**

**CorporateGray.com.**

**BASKET BINGO**

The Warrant Officer's Associ-ation will hold a St. Patrick's Day Basket Bingo 7 p.m., March 16, at the Aberdeen Fire Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 (three cards) and can be purchased by calling 410-272-8271 or 410-273-1926. Filled baskets, door prizes, raffles, food, baked goods and drinks will be available.

SATURDAY

**MARCH 17  
A NIGHT AT THE  
RACES**

American Legion Susquehan-na Post 135, located on 300 Cherry Street, Perryville, will hold a \$1,000 Draw Down and Night at the Races. All pro-ceeds will benefit the Detach-ment Commander's Project Fisher House Foundation. Tickets cost \$35 each and admit two for dinner, draft beer, soda and limited open bar. Events include horse races, \$1,000 draw down, wheels of fortune, Chinese and silent auctions and a cake wheel.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Tom Deal, 410-642-2561, Emory Thompson, 410-642-6718 or Ed Steininger, 410-939-2293.

**BASKET BINGO**

Basket Bingo to benefit USNTC Bainbridge Historical Association will be held at VFW Post 8185, Route 222, Port Deposit. Doors open at 6 p.m.; Bingo begins at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 person for all paper cards. Food, beverage, baked goods, door prizes and raffles will be available. No smoking is allowed.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Anne Gibson, 410-378-3338 or Car-olyn Spencer, 410-378-3219.

SUNDAY

**MARCH 18  
ALPHA PHI ALPHA  
SCHOLARSHIP  
BANQUET**

The Iota Alpha Lambda Chap-ter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraterni-ty will host its annual Schol-arship Banquet, 3 p.m. at the Richlin Ballroom, 1700 Van Bibber Road, Edgewood. Tick-ets cost \$35. All proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund. For information or to obtain a ticket, call Jessie Shanks, 410-272-3026 or 410-459-4389.

**BASKET BINGO**

American Legion Post 194, 336 E. Main St., Rising Sun, Maryland is sponsoring a basket bingo. Games start at 3 p.m. Cost is \$10 for 20 games. For more infor-mation call 410-658-3915, or basketbingo@zoominternet.net. Proceeds benefit Boy Scout Troop 28.

WEDNESDAY

**MARCH 21  
ARC HOLDS  
PAIRSUITS  
INFORMATION  
SESSION**

The Arc Northern Chesa-peake will host an Informa-tion Session on Pairsuits, 7 p.m., at The Arc's adminis-trative offices, 4513 Philadel-phia Road (Route 7), Aber-deen. Pairsuits matches indi-viduals with developmental disabilities with community partners who have common interests, goals, dreams or personal passions for activi-ties of mutual interest.

For more information or to attend the information ses-sion, call Mara Walter, 410-836-7177, ext. 381.

*(Editors Note: More calendar events can be seen at **www.apgnews.apg.army.mil** under Community Notes.)*



Post Shorts

7 p.m., April 4, at the Verizon Center, Washington, D.C. Tickets cost \$40 per person for all lower level seating. Tickets for active duty cost \$35 per person. ID card must be presented at the time of purchase. Tickets have been prepaid and are only available for a limited time.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call or visit MWR Leisure Travel Services, building 3326, 410-278-4011/4907 or e-mail [mwr\\_registration@apg.army.mil](mailto:mwr_registration@apg.army.mil).

Irish specialty meal today

The Irish Specialty Meal will be held today in the APG North dining facilities, buildings 4503, 4219 and APG South facility, building E-4225, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Military personnel, family members, Department of Defense civilians, retirees and guests are invited to dine.

The standard meal rate of \$3.65 applies to any officer, enlisted member, and family member of sergeant or above, DoD civilian, retiree and their guests. The discount meal rate of \$3.15 applies to spouses and other family members of enlisted personnel in ranks private through specialist/corporal.

The menu includes Irish heritage soup, shepherd's pie, glazed corned beef, Irish chicken and dumplings, fish and chips, grilled Reuben sandwiches, boiled red potatoes with dill, freedom fries (chips), steamed cabbage, shamrock green beans, seasoned carrots, pickled beet and onion salad, Waldorf salad, assorted salad bar, hot rolls, assorted breads, assorted desserts, soft serve ice cream with assorted toppings, assorted condiments and assorted beverages.

Note: Menu is subject to change without prior notification.

For more information, call Edward Parylo or Ernest Green, 410-306-1393/1398.

Registering for the Bataan Memorial Death March

The 18th Annual Bataan Memorial Death March will be held at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., March 25, to recognize the sacrifices made by thousands of U.S. and Filipino service members overwhelmed by Japanese in the Phillipine Islands during World War II.

The event is open to military (active duty, Reserves, National Guard, ROTC, JROTC or retired) and civilian teams and individuals in either heavy or light divisions.

For more information or to register online by March 18, visit [http://www.active.com/event\\_detail.cfm?event\\_id=1388531](http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=1388531) or <http://www.bataanmarch.com/>.

[bataanmarch.com/](http://bataanmarch.com/).

Seminars for couples: married, engaged or dating

The Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program will present "If You Love Me," a series of information seminars for all couples, whether married, engaged or dating. The seminars will provide key elements to building and maintaining healthy relationships through:

- **Successful Communication Skills**
- **Setting Healthy Boundaries**
- **Learning to compromise from I to Us**

Seminars will be held 9 to 11:30 a.m. at ACS, building 2754, on March 24, April 14 and May 26.

To register contact Lynda Fernandez, 410-278-2435, or e-mail [lynda.fernandez@apg.army.mil](mailto:lynda.fernandez@apg.army.mil).

61st Family Readiness Group meets

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 61st Ordnance Brigade Family Readiness Group will hold its monthly meeting 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., March 20, in building 4310 Boothby Hill Road. Come out and support the FRG, receive important information and meet new friends.

For more information, call Constance Slater, 410-306-2319 or Sgt. 1st Class Michael Ambrose, 410-278-4133.

MCSC offers scholarships

The Military and Civilian Spouses' Club will administer scholarships for the 2007-2008 academic year to eligible winners in the following four categories: high school seniors, current undergraduate students, current graduate students and non full-time certification or continuing education and technical program students.

All applicants must either be an MCSC member or the dependent of a current active MCSC member. Applications for all scholarships are available from the MCSC Web site, [www.apgmcsc.org](http://www.apgmcsc.org), and must be postmarked by April 10.

For more information, visit [www.apgmcsc.org](http://www.apgmcsc.org) or call 410-306-6668.

AFAP needs community participation

The annual APG Army Family Action Plan Symposium, March 20 through 22 needs input from the community. Issues to be considered should be mailed to AFAP, Army Community Service, Building 2754, Room 203, APG, MD 21005-5001, e-mail [marilyn.howard@usag.apg.army.mil](mailto:marilyn.howard@usag.apg.army.mil) or fax to 410-278-9685. Submission should state the problem, why it is a problem, and offer suggestions on how it can be fixed. Name and telephone number of submitter should be included.

### Movies

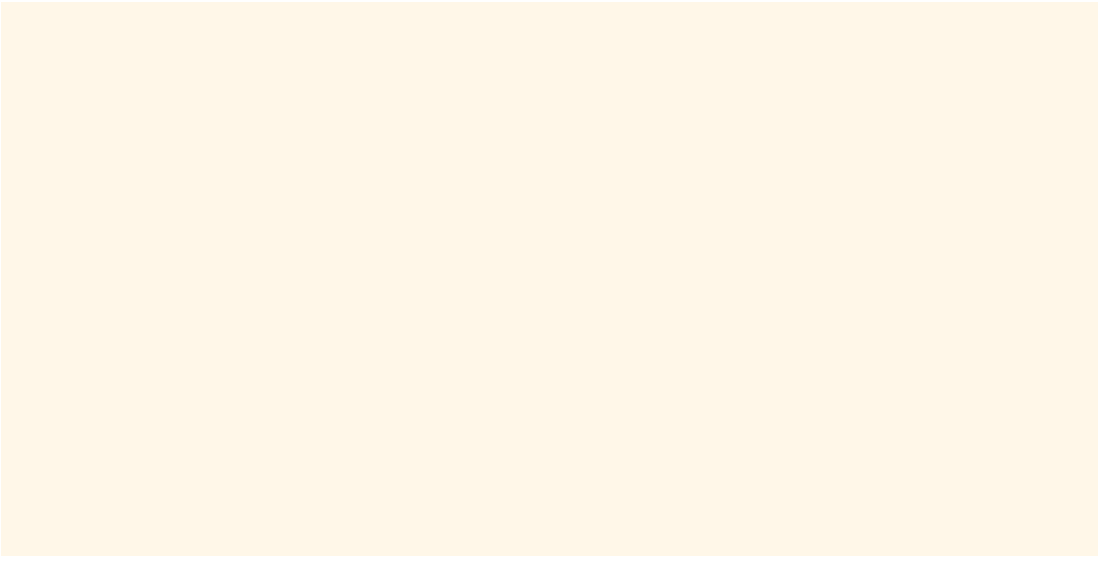
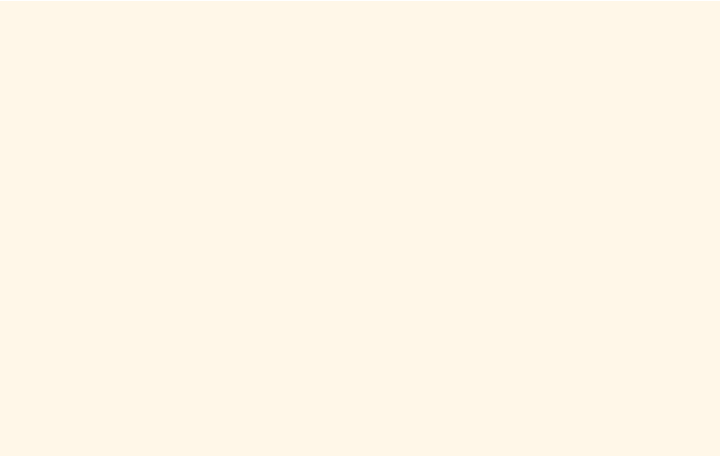
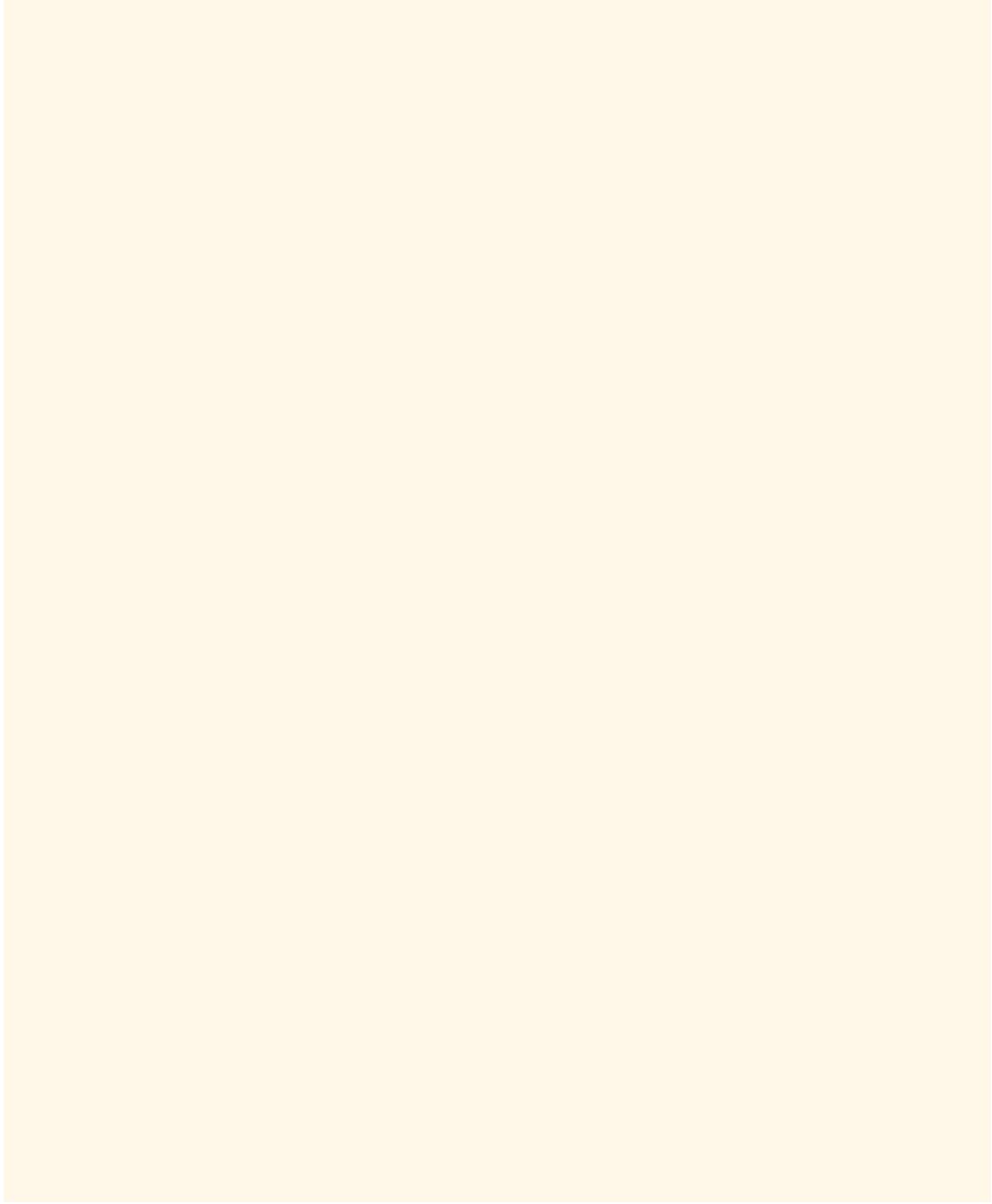
**ADMISSION: ADULTS \$3.50, CHILDREN \$1.75**  
**Building 3245 Aberdeen Boulevard**  
**To verify listing, call 410-272-9008, or visit [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com) and click on "Movie Listing"**

**THE MESSENGERS**  
Friday, March 16, 7 p.m.  
Starring: Dylan McDermott, Penelope Ann Miller, John Corbett

A family moves into a run-down sunflower farm. As the farm begins to revive after years of disrepair, the family begins to notice uncomfortable and alarming changes in their father's behavior. (Rated PG-13)

**BECAUSE I SAID SO (FREE ADMISSION)**  
Saturday, March 17, 7 p.m.  
Starring: Diane Keaton, Mandy Moore, Gabriel Mach

Daphne Wilder (Keaton) is a mother whose love knows no bounds or boundaries. As a single parent, she has raised three fantastic girls - klutzy, adorable Milly (Moore), stable psychologist Maggie and sexy and irreverent Mae - to become the kind of women any mom would die to have. The only problem is they're about to strangle her. In order to prevent her youngest, Milly, from making the same romantic mistakes she did, Daphne decides to set her up with the perfect man. (Rated PG-13)







# MORALE, WELFARE & RECREATION

## Activities/Events

### Egg Hunt Extravaganza

Army Community Service will hold an Egg Hunt Extravaganza, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., March 31 at Capa Field. Everyone is welcome to attend this free ticketed event.

For more information or to pick up free tickets, visit ACS North, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., building 2754, 410-278-7572 or ACS South, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., building E-4630, 410-436-3362.

### 2007 Kings Dominion season passes

The Italian Job Turbo Coaster, White Water Canyon, Rugrats Toonpike and more await visitors to Kings Dominion. Season passes for adults cost \$68 and season passes for juniors and seniors cost \$50. Purchase season passes by

June 29. Open to all Department of Defense employees.

For more information or to purchase passes, call MWR Leisure Travel Services, Aberdeen Recreation Center, building 3326, 410-278-4011/4907 or e-mail [mwr\\_registration@apg.army.mil](mailto:mwr_registration@apg.army.mil).

### NASCAR at Richmond International Raceway

The Circuit City 250 at Richmond International Raceway takes place May 4 and 5.

Tickets from MWR cost \$113 for the two-day NASCAR package, \$88 for the Party Zone Package and \$28 for general admission.

The two-day NASCAR Package includes a general admission seat for the May 4 Circuit City 250 Presented by Funai NASCAR

Busch Series race; and a reserved seat in the Henrico Grandstand for the May 5 Crown Royal presents The Jim Stewart 400 NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series race. There are a limited number of two-day packages available.

The Party Zone Fan Hospitality Package includes a ticket for the May 4 Circuit City 250 and admittance to the Party Zone Hospitality area. Fans will receive a buffet dinner, a special appearance by NASCAR Busch and NEXTEL Cup Series team owner Richard Childress for a question and answer session, entertainment and a special souvenir gift.

General admission tickets to the May 4 Circuit City 250 are free for children ages 12 and under when accompanied by a ticketed adult.

For more information or to order ticket packages, call the MWR Leisure Travel Services, Aberdeen Recreation Center, building 3326, 410-278-4011/4907, e-mail [mwr\\_registration@apg.army.mil](mailto:mwr_registration@apg.army.mil) or visit <http://www.rir.com/salute/aberdien/>.

### Tour Ellis Island, the Statue of Liberty

Join MWR for a tour of Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, April 7. Cost of the trip is \$75 per person and includes roundtrip motorcoach transportation, ferry ride and admission into the Statue of Liberty. On the way back there will be a stop at Mastoris Restaurant in Bordentown, N.J. for dinner. The bus will depart 8 a.m. and return 9 p.m. Last day for registration is March 23.

For more information or to register, call or stop by the MWR Leisure Travel Office, building 3326, 410-278-4011/4907 or e-mail [mwr\\_registration@apg.army.mil](mailto:mwr_registration@apg.army.mil).

### Tickets available to see the Harlem Globetrotters

Tickets to the 2007 Harlem Globetrotters Blue Tour are on sale at MWR.

March 17: 1 p.m. at the Verizon Center, Washington, D.C. Tickets cost \$13.25.

### Shopping trip to New York City

Go shopping with MWR in New York City, including a stop at Jamaica Avenue, March 24. Start at the famous Aqueduct Flea Market and then off to Jamaica Avenue, famous for bargains on many fine clothes. Finish the day shopping in Midtown Manhattan. Cost of the trip is \$60 per person.

The bus will leave 7:50 a.m. and return 9:30 p.m.

### Dover Downs Raceway Nextel Cup

Zoom on down to "The Monster Mile" Dover Downs Raceway Nextel Cup race on June 3. The bus departs 9:20 a.m. and returns approximately 8 p.m.

Experience the thrill of the speed, the unique white concrete track, the roar of the engines and cheers of the crowd.

Cost of the trip is \$130 and includes bus transportation and tickets - reserved seating on Turn 3, sections 139-149, rows 1-30.

For more information or for registration, call 410-278-4011/4907 or e-mail [mwr\\_registration@apg.army.mil](mailto:mwr_registration@apg.army.mil).

## Sports

### Ruggles holds spring time outing

It's not Caddyshack, it's a spring golf outing at Ruggles Golf Course, April 14 with an 8:30 a.m. start. Entry fee costs \$25 for annual patrons; \$50 for value card holders and authorized patrons; and \$60 for guests. Entry fee includes range balls, greens fee, cart, continental breakfast, lunch and prizes.

For more information or to register, call 410-278-4794, visit the Pro Shop at Ruggles or e-mail [david.correll@us.army.mil](mailto:david.correll@us.army.mil).

### Exton holds spring golf outing

Happy Gilmore and Bob Barker can't beat this golf event. A Spring Golf Outing will be held at Exton Golf Course April 21 with an 8:30 a.m. start. The entry fee costs \$20 for annual patrons; \$30 value card holders and authorized patrons; and \$40 for guests. Entry fee includes greens fee, cart, continental breakfast, lunch and prizes.

For more information or to register, call 410-436-2213 or visit the Pro Shop at Exton or Ruggles or e-mail [rueben.ferguson@us.army.mil](mailto:rueben.ferguson@us.army.mil).

### Civilian sports leagues forming

Civilian sports leagues are now forming in basketball, softball, kickball and flag football.

For more information, contact Charles Heinsohn, 410-278-3868 or e-mail [heinsohn@apg.army.mil](mailto:heinsohn@apg.army.mil).

### Youth baseball and teeball

Register early for youth baseball and Teeball. Teams and space is limited. For base-

ball, the cost is \$35 for youths ages 5 to 15 (age as of April 30, 2007) and \$35 for teeball, ages 5 to 6. Practice begins the week of April 2. Games are held during the week. Parents interested in coaching please call Youth Sports at 410-306-2297.

### Girls' softball

Register for softball for girls ages 7 to 18 (age as of Jan. 1, 2007). The cost is \$45 per child. Practice begins the third week of March and games start in mid-April. Teams play in the Eastern Harford County league. For more information call 410-306-2297.

## Services

MWR Registration, Tickets and Leisure Travel is located in building 3326. They may be contacted at 410-278-4011/4907, by e-mail at [mwr\\_registration@apg.army.mil](mailto:mwr_registration@apg.army.mil) or on the Web site, [www.apgmwr.com](http://www.apgmwr.com).

### PIE changes name to Family Information Network

The Exceptional Family Member Program support group Family Information Network, or FIN, will replace the Parent Information Exchange, or PIE. The FIN will meet 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., every second Wednesday during winter months through April in building 2754 first floor conference room.

For more information, call 410-278-2420.

### SKIES Unlimited

For more information and registration for all SKIES Unlimited programs, call Central Registration. An additional \$18 Central Registration Fee will apply if not already enrolled in the Child and Youth Services Program.

For more information or to make an appointment to register, call 410-278-7479/7571.

### Child and Youth Services

There are immediate full-day openings for 3- and 4-year-olds at the APG North Child Development Center. All active duty military and activated reservists, DoD civilians and contractors assigned to APG are eligible for services. The center is open daily, 6:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call Central Registration 410-278-7571.

## Easter Brunch April 8

The annual Easter breakfast and luncheon buffet will be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., April 8 at Top of the Bay. The price is \$19.95 for adults and \$9.95 for children ages 5 to 11. Children under 5 eat free.

The Breakfast Buffet menu includes omelet station, French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage and bacon, biscuits with sausage gravy, home fries, smoked salmon, bagels, muffins and Danish.

The Luncheon Buffet consists of a carving station with ham and roast sirloin of beef, fried chicken, roast pork with apple dressing, baked cod,

assorted vegetables, potatoes and rice.

A dessert table and coffee, tea, juices, sodas and mimosas are included.

Reservations for parties of six or more can be made in advance. All other seating will be on a first-come basis. Make reservations Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., by calling 410-278-3062/2552/5195 by April 4.



## Sports activities available to youths

### Youth flag football cheerleading

Youths ages 6 to 14 (age as of April 1, 2007) can sign up for flag football. Cost is \$45 per child; shoes and socks are not included. Practice begins the week of April 2 and will be held on weekdays after 5:30 p.m.

### Start Smart basketball

This program is for boys and girls ages 3 to 5 who want to play basketball and coached by their mom or dad. Start Smart Basketball will be held Mondays, March 12 through April 16. Parent participation is required. Cost is \$40 per child. Each child will receive a T-shirt, basketball and award.

### Youth flag football

Boys and girls, ages 6 to 8, 9 to 11 and 12 to

14 (age as of April 1, 2007) can sign up. Flag football practices begin the week of April 2, games begin May 5. Games will be held every Saturday at APG North and South Youth Centers. The fee is \$45 for the season. Coaches and referees are needed to make the program a success.

For more information, call Youth Sports office.

### Golf, tennis programs

Registration begins May 1 for the summer Junior Golf and Tennis programs. Boys and girls ages 7 through 17 can register. Golf and tennis will be held in APG North and South and begins the week of June 18.

For more information or to register, call 410-306-2297.

## CWF event

The Civilian Welfare Fund will sponsor a trip to Myrtle Beach, April 9 through 13. The price per person based on single occupancy is \$589; cost for double-occupancy is \$489; triple-occupancy costs \$469; and quad-occupancy costs \$459. Package includes motor coach transportation, lodging at the Sea Mist Resort, a guided tour of historic Charleston, Barefoot Landing, a visit to Broadway at the Beach, a performance at the Carolina Opry, four breakfasts, four dinners, plus all gratuities. Reservations will be accepted until all seats are full.

For more information or for reservations, call Angela Keithley, 410-278-4603/4771.

## SCHOOL LIAISON

## Applying for the Bernard Curtis Brown II Memorial NASA Space Camp Scholarship

The Military Child Education Coalition™ announces applications for the 2007 Bernard Curtis Brown II Memorial NASA Space Camp Scholarship. MCEC™ will fund the full tuition, meals, lodging, program materials and transportation from the student's home base to Space Camp.

The scholarship gives military-connected children the opportunity to have an extraordinary experience which brings together the worlds of service, science and learning.

U.S. Space camp is a five-day program that shows youngsters firsthand what it takes

to be an astronaut. Activities include simulated Space Shuttle missions, training simulated Space Shuttle missions, training simulators, rocket building and launches, scientific experiments and lectures on the past, present and future of space exploration.

For eligibility requirements and an application, visit their Web site, [www.spacecamp.com](http://www.spacecamp.com) or [www.MilitaryChild.org](http://www.MilitaryChild.org) (on the left navigation side of the Web site, go to Initiatives and then Space Camp Scholarship).

Applications are due by April 2.

For more information on any APG school related information, contact Eileen Campbell, 410-278-2857 or [eileen.campbell@apg.army.mil](mailto:eileen.campbell@apg.army.mil).

## St. Patrick's Day Tourney

### Registration closes today

Ruggles Golf course will hold a St Patrick's Day Tournament, March 17, with a 9 a.m. scramble. Play your own team - play your own game and have a chance to win a \$1,000,000 Pot of Gold.

All tournament participants placing on close to pin holes will participate in the end of tournament shoot out. The winner will then attempt a hole in one for the Pot of Gold. Participants must be registered by March 15 at Ruggles Pro Shop, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Cost is \$15 for annual patrons and \$28 for all others. Optional 18-hole cart is available at \$13 per rider. Refreshments and prizes follow

the Shoot Out Contest.

For more information, call 410-278-4794/9452.



## APG 90th Anniversary Celebration Calendar of Events

(All dates are subject to change and weather conditions.)

### March

**Women's History Month & Days of Remembrance - One Day (EEO)**

- 20 thru 22, Army Family Action Plan, MWR, 410-278-7572
- 28, Town Hall meetings, APG South Conference Center, 9 a.m.; APG North Post Theatre, 2 p.m.
- 31, Easter Egg Hunt, MWR, 410-278-7572

### April

- 14, Ruggles Golf Course holds APG 90th Anniversary Opening Day Golf Scramble, 8:30 a.m., MWR Ruggles Golf Course, 410-278-9452
- 21, Exton Golf Course holds APG 90th Anniversary Open Day Golf Scramble, 8:30 a.m., MWR Exton Golf Course, 410-436-2213
- 26, Law Day, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, 410-278-1107

(Editor's note: This calendar will be updated as necessary. New or changed items will appear in italic bold print.)

### May

**Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (EEO)/APG Open House/Military Appreciation/ Ordnance Week Activities and Anniversary Balls**

- 5, Spring Fest community event, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Fire and Emergency Services, 410-306-0533
- 19, 10K Armed Forces Day Run, MWR, 410-278-3812
- TBA Military Appreciation Luncheon (sponsored by the Harford County Chamber of Commerce)
- TBA U.S. Army Soldier Show, MWR 410-278-4402

### June

- 2 and 3, Ruggles Senior Club Championship, 9 a.m., age 50 and older, limited to annual, MWR Ruggles Golf Course, 410-278-9452
- 11, Ruggles Super Senior Tournament, age 60 and older, MWR Ruggles Golf Course, 410-278-9452

## APG Bowling Center Snack Bar specials

Building 2342

### Week of March 12

Special #1: Double cheeseburger, French fries, one cookie and soda for \$6.95.

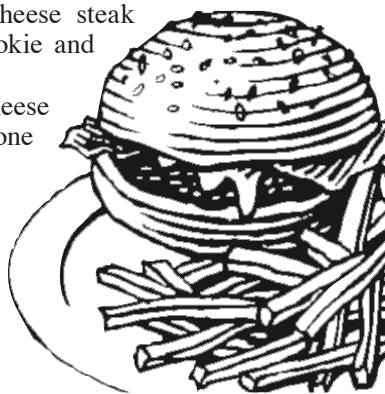
Special #2: BBQ pork sandwich, cole slaw, potato chips, one cookie and soda for \$6.85.

### Week of March 19

Special #1: Chicken cheese steak sub, potato chips, one cookie and soda for \$6.85.

Special #2: Grilled cheese sandwich, soup of the day, one cookie and soda for \$4.75

For more information or to place an order, call 410-278-4041. Orders must be placed before 10:30 a.m.





# Chapel News

**Catholic Women of the Chapel**  
The CWOC meets 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. every other Monday at the Main Post Chapel. Check the bulletin boards at the Main or South Chapel for a complete schedule.

**Protestant Women of the Chapel**  
The PWOC meets 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., each Thursday and 7 p.m. on Mondays.

**Children’s Play Group**  
Army Community Service sponsors a Children’s Play Group, 9 to 11 a.m., each Wednesday at the Main Post Chapel playroom.  
Parents and their small children

are invited to join others for some “fun time.”

**Catholic religious education classes**  
Classes are held every Sunday except holidays after the 8:45 a.m. Main Post Chapel mass. Sacramental classes of 1st Eucharist, Reconciliation with and Confirmation with children and parents are also available.

**Celebration of Confirmation**  
A Celebration of Confirmation for Catholic 8th graders will be celebrated 6 p.m., March 2, with Bishop Frank Higgins from the Military Archdiocese in Washing-

ton, D.C., officiating.

**Protestant and Gospel Children’s Church**  
Protestant and Gospel Children’s Church is held 10:15 a.m., on Sunday morning during the Protestant Service and noon during the Gospel Service at the Main Post Chapel.

**Jewish worship services**  
Jewish Worship Services are held noon, every Thursday at the Post Chapel.

**For more information, call the chapel, 410-278-2516 or 4333.**



## Channel 21 features Pentagon Channel programing

The Pentagon Channel will feature the following programs on Channel 21. These programs are subject to change each week and will be updated accordingly.

**Monday**

Around the Services, 8 a.m.  
Focus on the Force, 10 a.m.  
Army Newswatch, 11 a.m.  
Freedom Journal Iraq/AF Prime Time, 1 p.m.  
AFN Europe, 6:30 p.m.  
Around the Services, 8 p.m.  
Focus on the Force, 10 p.m.

**Tuesday**

Around the Services, 8 a.m.  
Freedom Journal Iraq/AF Prime Time, 10 a.m.  
Focus on the Force, 1 p.m.  
Around the Services, 5:30 p.m.  
Army Newswatch, 7 p.m.  
Freedom Journal Iraq/AF Prime Time, 10 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Around the Services, 8 a.m.  
Army Newswatch, 9:30 a.m.  
Focus on the Force, 2 p.m.  
AFN News Europe, 6:30 p.m.  
Around the Services, 8 p.m.  
Army Newswatch, 9:30 p.m.

**Thursday**

AF Prime Time/Freedom Journal Iraq, 10 a.m.  
Around the Services, Noon  
Focus on the Force, 1 p.m.  
Around the Services, 8 p.m.  
Focus on the Force, 9:30 p.m.

**Friday**

Around the Services, Noon  
Freedom Journal Iraq/AF Prime Time, 2:30 p.m.  
Army Football, 4 p.m.  
AFN News Europe, 6:30 p.m.  
Around the Services, 8 p.m.

**Saturday**

Focus on the Force, 9 a.m.  
Around the Services, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Freedom Journal Iraq/AF Prime Time, 4 p.m.  
Army Newswatch, 7:30 p.m.

Focus on the Force, 9 p.m.

**Sunday**

Focus on the Force, 11:30 a.m.  
Army Healthwatch, 2 p.m.  
Army Newswatch, 4:30 p.m.

Army Newswatch – Bi-weekly report on the men and women of the Army

Around the Services – From the Pentagon Channel News Center, daily half-hour program featuring military news from top defense officials and the military services from around the world

RECON – A monthly information television program providing an in-depth look at a variety of topics, highlighting the accomplishments of U.S. Military men and women.

Your Corps – Monthly view of the men and women of the Marine Corps

Freedom Journal Iraq – A daily news program produced by American Forces Network Iraq. The program focuses on military missions, operations and U.S. military forces in Iraq

Navy Marine Corp News – A weekly look at the men and women of today’s sea service.

Opportunity Showcase - A monthly program dealing with a variety of subjects that benefit small business owners, transitioning military members and other subjects of opportunity-produced by the U.S. Air Force

The American Veteran - A half-hour video news magazine designed to inform veterans, their families and their communities about the services and benefits they have earned through their service to America and to recognize and honor that service

Battleground - Every weekend, this series features historic films from World War II, Korean War, and the Vietnam War. A Pentagon Channel Original Series

Focus on the Force – A weekly program highlighting missions, operations and people of the U.S. military.

Inside Afghanistan – Presents the latest from Operation Enduring Freedom, showing the activities of American Troops in country.

ATS Reloaded – ATS-Reloaded revisits the best of the week and keeps you updated on information that’s important to you.

## Hoaxes

*From front page*

groups may sometimes prey on family members as an act of rebellion to Soldiers actively engaged in conflict and could face stiff penalties if caught providing false information.

“Soldiers and their family members are easy targets for such groups who tend to prey on individuals with loved ones serving in combat,” Adolph said. “Victims of this scam should know that in the case of injury notifications, the Soldier will be asked to personally call the family. If unable to do so, the call will come from the Casualty and Mortuary Affairs Operations Center at the U.S. Army Human Resources Command or the hospital where the Soldier is recovering.”

If a Soldier dies in theater or while recovering in a medical facility, a casualty notification officer will make an in-person notification, according to Col. Pat Gawkins, CMAOC director.

“Unfortunately, there have been circumstances beyond our control when we have had to make notifications by telephone,” Gawkins said. “These calls are followed up immediately by a Soldier or officer who will extend condolences.

“We have had issues of the Record of Emergency Data (DD93) not having current addresses or incomplete next of kin information which have caused us to make telephonic notification,” he added. “In these cases, by simply trying to verify an address, or one next-of-kin calling another while their Casualty Notification Officer was



present, we have made notification. Again, this happens in very few cases, but it does happen.”

In addition to the personal visit, Adolph said a casualty assistance officer will also provide immediate support for the family member whenever and wherever necessary to help the family through their crisis.

According to Stephens, the 2004 Hoax Act is meant to not only protect the victims of a hoax, but responders as well.

“The civil action portion of the statute means that in addition to criminal penalties, a person who violates the statute may be required to pay for the cost of any expenses that an emergency response or investigative agency incurs while responding to their hoax,” Stephens said. “Hoaxes distract federal, state and local law enforcement criminal investigators and emergency responders from a real crises and threats, resulting in a risk to public safety and national security.”

CID special agents recommend if a family member ever receives a call concerning the medical status of their loved ones deployed to a combat zone, they should note the name and telephone number of the caller, if possible, and contact the local Casualty Office or the American Red Cross to confirm. If the call is determined to be a hoax, immediately report the crime to the local CID office.

CID Lookout is a U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command initiative to partner with the Army community by providing a conduit for members of the Army family, to help prevent, reduce and report felony-level crime.

The USACIDC, commonly known as CID, is an independent criminal investigative organization that investigates serious, felony-level crime such as murder, rape, sexual assault, robbery, arson, fraud, and even cyber crime or intrusions into the Army networks.

Solving and preventing these types of crime cannot be achieved solely by CID special agents and the Military Police. Together, professional law enforcement officers and the Army community must work hand-in-hand to fight serious crime. As such, CID is on point for the Army and depends heavily on Soldiers, family members and civilian employees to Be On The Lookout and provides assistance in keeping the Army Strong and safe.

CID Lookout provides the latest information to the Army community aimed at helping Soldiers protect themselves, their families and to reduce their chances of becoming crime victims.

For more information on CID or to report a felony-level crime or provide information concerning a crime, contact the APG CID Office or the Military Police, or visit [www.cid.army.mil](http://www.cid.army.mil).





Referee Wayne Smith, center, watches Mark Failuga, Company A, 143rd Ordnance Battalion, left, and Terrell Lamplay, Company A, 16th Ordnance Battalion, right, square off during the ninth bout of the Amateur Boxing Tournament held at Hoyle Gym March 3.

Story and photos by  
**YVONNE JOHNSON**  
APG News

They were hungrier and it showed. The 143rd Ordnance Battalion came out swinging in a successful defense of its turf to beat the 16th Ordnance Battalion, 8-3 during the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Amateur Boxing Tournament at Hoyle Gym March 3.

The Aberdeen Proving Ground South champs took eight out of 11 bouts, not including two exhibition fights that opened and closed the show.

Earlene Allen, MWR senior programmer and event coordinator, thanked the installation's senior noncommissioned officers for supporting the program as well as the coaches who train the boxers for six weeks prior to the fights.

The young, novice boxers gave the crowd an exciting night with a number of knockdowns. The lone female matchup provided just as much action as the men's with Elizabeth Richards, Company A 16th, providing one of only three of the battalion's wins.

Bloody noses and busted lips were the most common injuries requiring treatment and Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic doctor Capt. Martin Rose, looked each fighter over during and after the bouts.

"They're not trying to get hurt they're just trying to have fun," Rose said as he checked one fighter for a possible broken nose.

Coaches expressed pride in their boxers, and boxers expressed pride in their own achievements.

"Our fighters fought hard and I know they trained hard," said 16th coach Granville Bracy. "For a lot of them, this is their first time anywhere near a boxing ring. They made a choice to participate in a brutal sport and we're proud of the way they stuck with it."

The two other 16th coaches included Anthony Harris and Jesus Vela.

Duane Edwards, lead coach, 143rd Ordnance Battalion, said he thought his fighters were "just hungrier" and that they stuck to the fundamentals he and assistant coaches Scott Overocker, John Richardson and Vermont Hamilton taught them.

"We teach them the basics and tell them if they stay with that, they'll win," Edwards said. "Don't go with anything pretty. Stay focused, be patient, set it up and all your punches will be there."

"The coaching definitely helped," agreed boxer Jared Page, a 21-year-old Soldier with HHC 143rd from Columbia, S.C. Page said that his opponent, "came out strong and was a heavy



Members of the 143rd Ordnance Battalion boxing team pose with their leaders, Lt. Col. Linwood Clark, left, and Command Sgt. Maj. Luis Rivera, third from left, after winning the Amateur Boxing Tournament.

## Match results:

**143rd Ordnance Battalion**  
(Exhibition) Joseph Foster  
(Win) Selwynn Ayers  
(Win) Matthew Bargerion  
(Win) Myronn Carlock  
Jalena Baumgartner  
(Win) Michael Brennon  
(Win) Heyser Carballo  
Mark Failuga  
(Win) Matthew Berger  
(Win) Cory Doss  
Perry Fetu  
(Exhibition) Andrew Williams

**16th Ordnance Battalion**  
Ronnie Paison  
William Smith  
Jayon Richards  
Dewayne Jones  
(Win) Elizabeth Richards  
Chris Kay  
Antoine Liggons  
(Win) Terrell Lamplay  
Daniel Munford  
Patrick Terry  
(Win) Terrance Holmes  
Deon Barrington

hitter, but I just kept coming back."

"I love boxing and I'd love to do this again," said Matthew Bargerion, a 23-year-old from Augusta, Ga.

"The coaches brought me through," Bargerion said. "We had very good training that instilled a lot of confidence in us, and confidence is half the battle."

The Amateur Boxing Tournament ring announcer was Yolanda Vaughters, Company C 143rd and Brittney Stewart, Company B 143rd, sang the national anthem. Chaplain (Capt.) Scott Thompson gave the invocation and APG South emergency medical technicians with the Directorate of Safety, Health and Environment, provided medical support.

Washington, D.C., referees James Cooper, Wayne Smith and Michelle Hall called the bouts and APG judges Capt. Eric Brooks, 1st Sgt. James Bell, Staff Sgts. Donn Hill and Willie Hardy, and MWR's Charles Heinsohn and Vada Jones tallied the scores. MWR's Ralph Cuomo and Donna Coyne served as scorer and time keeper.



Heyser Carballo, Company B 143rd, left, moves in on Antoine Liggons, Company B 16th, right, during the eighth bout of the night.



Photo by GARY BROOKS

Myron Carlock, Company C 143rd, right, swings on Dewayne Jones, Company B 16th, left.



Referee James Cooper administers one of two standing 8-counts to boxer Chris Kay, Company A 16th Ordnance Battalion, who was stunned by blows from Michael Brennon, Company B 143rd.



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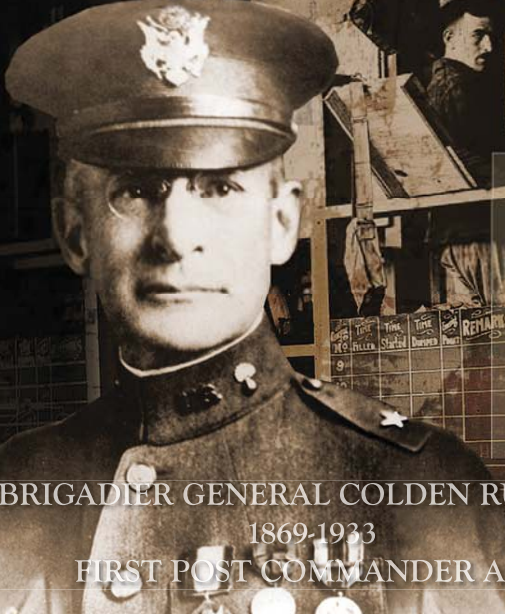
Dawning of a new era in APG's 90-year history

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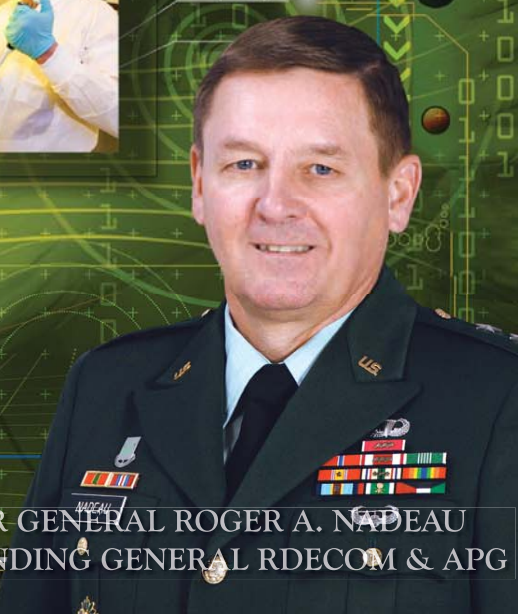
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1869-1933  
FIRST POST COMMANDER APG

Since the firing of the first test shot in 1918, Aberdeen Proving Ground employees have sought to go beyond the established boundaries into unexplored possibilities to extend a smoother, safer path for the Soldier and, ultimately, the citizens of the United States. Their service in even the smallest of tasks has contributed to the greatest of achievements.



MAJOR GENERAL ROGER A. NADEAU  
COMMANDING GENERAL RDECOM & APG

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A large portion of this section of the montage needed to be created to provide the image consistency with the rest of the graphics. The woman's legs and chair were from other photographs and merged together. The side and the base of the equipment was created from scratch.

Illustration by JERRY ARNOLD



Photos by JERRY ARNOLD

The text is printed on clear Plexiglass suspended inches from the background graphic to provide a 3-D look to the exhibit.

# 90th anniversary display celebrates APG workforce

RDECOM

The U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command opened a new display in its headquarters, building E-5101 in Aberdeen Proving Ground South, honoring the contributions of APG's personnel, past and present.

"The main reason for celebrating the 90th anniversary is to capture the stories of those men and women who spent their lives here and made Aberdeen Proving Ground a great place to live and serve today," said Col. John T. Wright, APG Garrison and deputy installation commander. "They set a very high standard and we need to continue that standard for the next ninety years."

Maj. Gen. Roger A. Nadeau, commander of APG and RDECOM, added that, "It is the history and the contributions of the past that will help drive the energy to complete the BRAC [Base Realignment and Closure] movement which, yet again, showcases Aberdeen Proving Ground and the surrounding environment here in terms of its importance to what we do

for this nation."

He said that it was in this spirit and because of a poster he received at the anniversary's opening reception at the Ordnance Museum in January that he requested an exhibit to showcase the anniversary within RDECOM.

Jerry Arnold, an employee of Log. Sec. and the lead graphic artist on the RDECOM Data Imaging Team, was contacted and tasked with the concept and design for the display.

The plan was to exhibit the 90th anniversary poster and convey the pioneering spirit of the APG workforce within two glass enclosed display cases on the second floor.

Edric Thompson of the RDECOM Public & Congressional Affairs Office supplied the text and Jeff Smart, RDECOM historian, provided images for the display.

Arnold's design consists of two historical sections representing 1917 on the left and 2007 on the right. The primary background shows workers at the original mustard plant and a modern-day researcher at the Edgewood Chemical Biological Center. The graphics strip spanning the top of the background is

composed of 16 photographs and traces the groundbreaking work done at APG and Edgewood Arsenal.

Arnold said that in most montages images blur into each other, but with this one he created sections and areas that overlap each other so that it flows from image to image.

"I wanted to reinforce the idea of coming out of the past into the present as one continuous flow," Arnold said, adding that the graphic strip took approximately one week to compose.

In the lower left corner of the display is Brig. Gen. Colden Ruggles, the first post commander of APG. Nadeau, the current commander, is on the right. Both images are 3-D cutouts with the names and titles etched on the exterior glass.

Three panels of text, each with an accompanying image, are suspended for a progressive 3-D effect on clear Plexiglass. The text conveys the message of the exhibit.

It reads:

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Above the glass case is the actual 90th anniversary poster, also designed by Arnold, which provides a graphic element outside the case and helps pull the viewer to the exhibit.

"I am pleased with the end result," Arnold said. "It's a privilege to celebrate the dedication of a workforce that has done so much for our Soldiers and, in turn, our country."